

OPERATION KEY TO NEGRO WELFARE

Stressed at Meeting to Organize Local Movement at Which 100 Are Present.

NEGRO LEAGUE TO TRAIN WORKERS

Secretary of National Organization of Negroes Offers to Train New-Workers for Social Service Among Their Race in This City. Watch Officer Craster Opposes Widespread Migration from South—Recommends Conditions.

With co-operation of whites and for the social uplift of the latter Newark and vicinity as the keynote, preliminary organization meeting of the Negro Welfare League of New York was held yesterday afternoon at the Board of Trade rooms. About 100 persons attended. A board of managers was elected and three temporary committees were chosen to act until a permanent selection is made.

James K. Jones of New York, secretary of the National League of Urban Conditions Among Negroes, was the principal colored speaker. He stated that this organization, made up of the most intelligent and progressive element of young negroes, with branches in many cities, both in the North and in the South, would lend its aid and co-operation in every desired way to the local movement. He also referred to the Newark committee the organization of a school of social service maintained by the league in New York.

Young negroes of this city, who desire to devote their lives to social work among the people of their race would be nominated by the body, he said, and would be paid for that work by the league. Various scholarships for higher education, the same profession would be available under certain conditions.

He stated that the league, it is understood, offered to take over the local campaign and to do it through a small committee of persons familiar with such undertakings. It was found impracticable, as the work was already far advanced, and the organization here, and he had undertaken it, was not abandoned.

MINUTES OF THE NEGRO WELFARE LEAGUE

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It is possible that the league in the future will be the national organization, largely constituted of persons which had their interest in the way. Mr. Jones referred to the stability, and declared that the league welcome such affiliation, and any case aid the Newark league the extent of its ability.

Short talks were given by Officer Craster, Miss W. Pendleton, Secretary of the State House, Supervisor, James Fendleton of the Bureau of Charities. Others who took part in the discussion were Rev. Lusk, Rev. Albert N. Smith, Rev. Orville M. McDonald, Chairman, Augustus V. president of the Board of Trade, Arthur W. Macdonald, of the Bureau of Association, secretary, Rev. John H. Rutherford, of the Mt. Arab Baptist Rutherford.

Dr. Craster told of the cases of pneumonia cases among the race in this city, and blamed the immigration of the negro South to this climate as the cause of the year. He said it was nothing short of a miracle for a negro to move from that climate in winter.

Mr. Beemer offered the case of the Tenant House, doing away with the conditions in which negroes are living at the present time.

"It is hard for a colored man to secure decent living apartments to the prejudice of a white man," asserted Mr. Beemer, "forced to seek the most inferior possible, and even then taken advantage of by the white man. The rents charged are fair, and very little is exchanged for their money."

Miss Pendleton, who is signed by the charities in improving the negroes, told of the difficulties in the negro migration.

"They are tired to the bone," said "by the prospect of and when they get here nothing but opposition meets them. I have investigated and although in every few exceptions the negroes are employed in the same old jobs as before."

John D. Beemer